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SUBJ: LAETRILE (AMYGADLIN)

REF: STATE 04969

1. COMMUNICATION FROM THE FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION OF THE NIGERIAN GOVERNMENT IN ANSWER TO MY REQUEST FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING LAETRIL WAS RECEIVED ON 6 MAY 1977.

2. THE LETTER WAS SIGNED BY DR. B.O. SOWEMIMO CHIEF DRUG REGISTRAR, FOR PERMANENT SECRETARY FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HEALTH FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION REGULATORY UNIT YABA LAGOS, NIGERIA, AND WAS AS FOLLOWS. REF: LAETRILE. QUOTE YOUR LETTER ON THE ABOVE SUBJECT HAS BEEN REFERRED TO MR.

A LOT OF EFFORT HAS BEEN MADE BY US TO FIND OUT FROM MANY SOURCES IF THERE IS ANY DRUG IN NIGERIA BY THE NAME LAETRILE BUT WE HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO OBTAIN ANY USEFUL INFORMATION.

SINCE WE ARE INTERESTED IN THIS MATTER, WE SHALL APPRECIATE IT IF YOU COULD PLEASE FURNISH US WITH ALL THE KNOWN TRADE NAMES(S) OF MANUFACTURER(S) OF THE DRUG IN THE U.S. AND SUCH COMPANIES DISTRIBUTORS OR AGENTS IN NIGERIA. ALL AVAILABLE INFORMATION YOU CAN GIVE US ABOUT THIS DRUG WILL BE APPRECIATED.

THANKS FOR YOUR CO-OPERATION. SINCERELY, DR. B.O. SOWEMIMO  
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END QUOTE.

3. THE RECENT FDA BULETIN CONCERNING LAETRIL WAS SENT TO DR. SOWEMIMO, IF THERE IS OTHER INFORMATION THAT COULD BE SENT PLEASE ADVISE.  
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